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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 08/657,749
Filed: May 30, 1996
Title: **Nucleic Acid Sequences Encoding a Plant Cytoplasmic Protein
Involved in Fatty Acyl-CoA Metabolism**
Applicants: James G. METZ *et al.*
A&P Ref. No.: 16518.025

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO):

1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
2. Appointment of Associate Attorneys;
3. Amendment and Response to Office Action mailed March 11, 2003;
4. a paper copy of the Sequence Listing (64 pages)
5. Sequence Listing in Computer Readable Form (CRF), on floppy diskette;
6. Statement to Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 dated August 5, 2003; and
7. Return postcard.

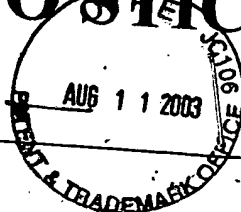
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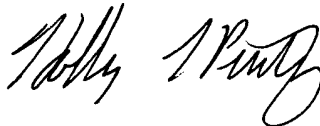
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In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16518.025. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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